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## WAR WITH MEXICO INEVITABLE

**UNITED STATES TIRES OF VACILLATING CONDUCT OF MEXICO'S PRESIDENT AND RUSHES TROOPS TO ENFORCE DEMANDS FOR RIGHT DUE: FIRST BATTLE SEES TENTH CAVALRY ANNIHILATED IN AMBUSH.**

Tired of the vacillating policy of Mexico's president in matters of vital interest to the American people, report of the ambush of the Tenth Cavalry, under Captain Chas. T. Boyd near Carizal, by the Carranza troops, in which the United States troop was practically annihilated. Reports received at San Antonio, Friday, were to the effect that only seven men survived the ambush. General Pershing has reported to Washington that the attack at Carizal was unprovoked. The negro cavalry troop had been sent by Pershing on scout duty. The exact extent of the casualties is not known at this writing.

Carranza, it is understood, has ordered the arrest of all Catholics, scientists, and other enemies of the constitutional government of Mexico.

Troops are being rushed to the border with all despatch and large guns are reported to command every border crossing. Senora, the Mexican state bordering on New Mexico is alive with hostile Carranza troops and refugees fleeing for safety to Columbus and other border towns are menaced with death on every hand.

National guards of every state in the Union are being recruited to their full quota and the New Mexico and Colorado National Guards are already on their way to patrol the border.

Many troop trains have passed thru Clayton enroute south. The exact number cannot be learned, but almost every day sees from six to eight regiments and their equipment passing thru.

Refugees reaching the border state that all party differences among the Mexicans have been dispersed and the whole country is united in its effort to wrest control of the situation from General Pershing, at any cost.

The actual scene of warfare is laid on the western border but every precaution is being used to have the whole international border patrolled by heavy patrol.

The United States has not yet taken an offensive step, acting only in defense until such time as a successful drive for the vital and the strategic points across the border can be made.

## Pump Will Not Handle Water

Work on the test well being put down in hope of finding a sufficient supply of water for the growing need of the city, is practically at a standstill owing to the failure of the pump installed last week being unable to keep the well clear of water.

It seems that the pump, of the suction type, will not raise the water and operations are suspended until a centrifugal pump can be obtained. There is some nine feet of water in the well, and at the time work was stopped the workmen were still in the water bearing sands. The thickness of the water bearing stratum will not be determined until the well can be sunk the required depth, or to the impervious stratum underlying the water flow.

It is expected that operations on the well will be resumed in a very few days.

## Bob Isaacs' Brother Pays Visit

Joe Isaacs, of Amarillo, a brother of the popular hardware man, spent several days in Clayton the past week, visiting his brother and family, and looking up old friends.

## BOY SCOUTS ENJOY HIKE

Clayton Troupe Boy Scouts enjoyed a pleasant "hike" Wednesday when they were taken by Scout Masters Herrin and Gaines to the old Dean place on the Perico and spent the day there swimming and fishing and playing games. Mr. Gaines presided as chef at the two meals the boys cooked on the "hike," and needless to say the food was eaten with great relish.

The trip to the camping place was made in autos. L. W. Kingdom, C. P. Suthers, and B. Q. Herrin furnishing the cars.

The troupe roster of the Clayton Troop is as follows: Charlie Neal, Lawrence George, Arthur Dean, Evan Eakin, Julius Kingdom, Wheeler and Matt Kuykendall, Saturnino Gonzales, Ardor Simeel, Robert Johnson, George Benton, Edward Tixer, and Adolph Gonzales.

## Crop Experts Forecast Increase in Cereal Production

A summary of the June crop report for the State of New Mexico, compiled by the government crop experts shows that the June forecast on nearly all cereals except winter wheat is larger than the actual production last year. The hay and range are not up to the average condition of the eight years past.

Prices are indefinite but are now quoted lower on wheat and corn. Oats are higher. Hay is higher. Eggs and other produce are higher than last year and it is evident that the government forecasters are not willing to predict an absolute decline in any form of farm or dairy produce.

The estimated production of the winter wheat last year was 1,144,000 bushels while the June forecast shows only an estimated production of 1,420,000 bushels this year. Spring wheat, on the other hand, is predicted some 70,000 increase. Last year's final estimate placed the production of this cereal at 1,012,000 bushels and the forecast estimates a production of 1,010,000 bushels during the coming harvest.

One hundred thousand bushels is the increase predicted in oats. Last year's final estimate placed the production at 2,160,000 bushels and the forecast predicts 2,260,000 bushels.

Barley, which shall be a lighter crop this year than last in the United States as a whole, will be decidedly heavier in New Mexico than in former years. The final estimate of this crop last year was, in the United States 237,000,000 bushels, in the state 264,000 bushels and the June forecast places this year's production, in the United States, 189,000,000 bushels and in the state 238,000 bushels.

The condition of the hay and range in New Mexico, owing to the lack of early spring precipitation, is low. It is especially low in hay the condition being graded at, eighty this year while the past eight years the condition of the hay in New Mexico has maintained an average on ninety. The range is recorded as only eighty after a ten year average of eighty-eight.

Prices given below are the average prices bid on farm and dairy produce on the first day of June. The first figures given is the figure for the current month and the last figure the price of last year. The figures for New Mexico only are given as they are generally a few cents higher than the average throughout the United States. Wheat 112-120 cent per bushel, corn 84-113, oats 69-59, potatoes 115-140, eggs 24-25 cents per dozen.

## Lodges Will Picnic

Members of the Woodmen and Royal Neighbors and their families are planning a picnic on the Perico, Wednesday. Those who will spend the day in the country are requested to meet at the home of Tom Gray, at eight o'clock, and to bring lunch for themselves and family.

## YOUNG MEN'S DEMOCRATIC CLUB OF CLAYTON

### Call for Meeting

There will be a meeting of the Young Men's Democratic Club of Clayton, at the court house, next Friday, June 30, at seven thirty o'clock. Prominent speakers have been invited to address the meeting. All Democrats and others interested in better government are invited to attend.

## A DEMOCRATIC YEAR

Santa Fe, June 23.—With the national conventions at Chicago and St. Louis over, and with an absolutely united democracy, enthusiastic over the opportunity of again supporting Woodrow Wilson at the polls, confronting a Republican party still demoralized, and a Progressive party that is disgusted, it has become more certain than ever that this is what 1916 is to be.

"The cold truth," said Samuel G. Blythe, noted political writer, in reporting the Republican national convention, "is that the great majority of the leaders and the led have no confidence in any nominee's ability to defeat President Wilson. This Republican struggle here means nothing save the tottering survival of a crowd of former beneficiaries striving to get back into the trough."

The unsurpassed statesmanship and the real Americanism of President Wilson has won him the admiration and approval of men of all parties in every section of the United States. And the Progressives who left the Republican party through principle will undoubtedly give him their support this year. In the event the party definitely decides not to place a third ticket in the field, as chairman McCombs, of the Democratic national committee, said in his speech at the opening of the Democratic national convention, the Democratic party offers the Progressives a "haven in a principle," and welcomes them to its ranks.

Here in New Mexico the situation is full of promise, and only loyal and effective work on the part of Democratic organizations and individual voters, to the end that every vote shall be cast and counted, is necessary to insure a Democratic victory. The ticket that will be presented to the people by the Democratic party will be one to command their full respect and confidence, and one to which Progressives and Independents as well as Democrats, can rally. It will stand for clean and progressive methods in the conduct of state affairs, and for honesty efficiency and economy in the handling of the people's money. Its success will mean the continuance of the system of government that is the hope of New Mexico.

That recent events at Chicago have not changed the attitude of the Progressives here toward the Republican party in New Mexico was clearly set forth by one of the most prominent members of that party a few days ago. He said: "The Progressives separated from the Republican party as a protest against conditions that they could no longer stand. These conditions still obtain. The Republican 'gang' is still supreme in the party in New Mexico, and the men nominated for places on the state ticket in August will be of the same old machine stripe, pledged to do the gang's bidding. Returning to the Republican party would mean going back to the same old boss ridden organization, that hasn't changed one iota since we left it; to the same old corrupt and unscrupulous methods. The men who left the party through principle will never do it."

GOOD NIGHT, LITTLE FRET-FUL PHINES; SNOOZE ON!

## FAIR COMMITTEES NAMED

Citizens of the prosperous little city of Greenville met at the schoolhouse at that place last Saturday afternoon, and discussed the arrangements and appointed committees for their annual fair and exhibition.

The committees named were: Financial, J. V. Cogdill, J. W. McCarty, John Terry, J. H. Kilburn, Will Morris, Mr. Haily, and Mrs. A. J. Robertson; Special Prizes, Howard Meyers, Mrs. L. Dix Mrs. E. Cavanaugh, D. Mahanna, Lory Smith; Day Program Jacob Weber, J. W. Douglas, Fletcher Parks, Virgil Scammonhorn; Evening Program, Miss Mae Meyers, Mrs. E. C. Scott, Mrs. R. M. Rubottom; Catalogue Committee, R. M. Rubottom, Charlie Childs.

The date of the fair was not set and will be announced later.

The holding of this fair shows enterprise on the part of the Greenville residents and merchants, and the personnel of the committees insure it being a success.

## Meged Slayer Of Strickland Held For Grand Jury Action

A dispatch from Las Vegas states that C. W. Seida, the E. P. & S.W. guard accused with the murder of Vincent Strickland, a brother of Mrs. Rutledge, of this city, has been bound over to await the action of the grand jury, under \$7,000 bond. The alleged murder was committed at Vanden, N. M. where Strickland was waiting for a train.

## Crimley Returns With Prisoner

Sheriff Crimley returned from Trinidad the fore part of the week with Sam Andrews, who plead guilty to larceny of livestock, after their arrival here. Andrews was caught by the Las Animas county authorities when he attempted to cross the line with a horse he confessed to stealing from Bob Baker. After he has served his time in this state he will be turned over to the Texas authorities for trial on a similar charge.

## Fish Promised For Creeks

Trinidad C. de Baca, State Game Warden, and brother of F. C. de Baca of this city spent several days here during the week, renewing acquaintances and looking after business matters. While here he stated that the creeks of Union County would soon be well supplied with fish, it being promised by the state hatchery that several million spawn would be placed this year.

## Mrs. Pennington Visiting Parents

Mrs. Ira L. Pennington left the fore part of the week for Brownwood, Texas, where she will visit her parents for some time. She was accompanied as far as Amarillo by her husband, the trip that far being made in the car.

## Nara Visa Attorney Here

A. Paul Sagle, the prominent attorney of Nara Visa, was a Clayton visitor the latter part of the week coming up to look after several cases he has pending in the district court.

## Daniel Registered Pharmacist

Dr. D. C. Daniel Friday received from the state board of examiners a certificate of registration as a qualified pharmacist. Daniel is duly proud of the certificate.

## New Postmaster at Grandview

Fred A. Walling has received his appointment as Postmaster at Grandview, he taking the position made vacant by the resignation of J. D. King, who has removed to Clayton.

## Savage To Trinidad

T. F. Savage made a business trip to Trinidad last Saturday night, returning home Tuesday.

## Two New Incorporations

Papers of incorporation were filed with the county clerk during the week for two Union County corporations, The De Haven Cattle Ranch Company and The Four States Seed Company. The full text of the articles will be found in the legal advertising pages of this issue.

## BLUES DEFEAT DALHART: 5-4

**WITH TWO DOWN IN LAST HALF NINTH CLAYTON RESSURECTS HORSE SHOE AND SCORES TWO RUNS: THOMPSON, BROWN AND WIGHT PINCH HITTERS; TEX-LINE HERE SUNDAY; SAND RATS NO MATCH FOR BLUES**

In a whirlwind finish that had all the ear marks of a premeditated grand stand play, but which was just the fortune of the game, the Clayton Blues Friday afternoon, ran in two scores in the last half of the ninth, and won from their ancient enemy, Dalhart, by a score of Five to Four.

The game was one of the best played on the local diamond, and in spite of the fact that it was played on a weekday afternoon, and a busy one, the two hundred some odd fans that are following the fortunes of the Blues were all there to root for the home team.

Brown opened the game for the Blues and the Dalhart aggregation found him in the first for a hit and a scratch, while several bases enabled them to put three men across the plate.

Paige, on the mound for the visitors, held the Blues until the fourth when two hits, one a two bagger by Kerr, and an error gave the Blues two runs.

The game was open and shut for the next two innings, both pitchers, Morton taking the place of Brown in the fifth, holding the batters to only a few runs, widely scattered and badly placed hits.

In the last of the seventh Clayton obtained a run when Clark got by an error and Morton found ball for a safety.

With the score tied it looked an extra inning game, but Dalhart scratched a run in the eighth and the Blues failed to come to scratch in their half.

Morton a little wild, but playing the game all the way thru, held the visitors in their side of the ninth, and all the fans were about ready to give the game to Dalhart and call it three straight when Morton and Hatchett both went out in the last half. With two down Clark singled cleanly. Brown popped the ball down the third base line, and while Paige waited for the ball to roll outside the foul line, made first. With Clark on second, Paige, realizing that he had waited too long, overthrew first, while Clark ran home and Brown sprinted the second and third laps in world record time. Freddie Wight, playing his first game of the season with the Blues, was next at bat, and to the prayers of the fans gripped the willow with a do or die swing and swung heavily at the first one Paige tendered him. His wild swing stood him and he looked over the next one. It didn't suit him, and as Paige wound up Freddie got a little firmer hold on the ground with his spikes and waded into the third after a clean single over third, scoring Brown and winning a game that was all but in the pocket of the Dalhart aggregation.

## Wanette Is Defeated

In a hit and run game, especially on the part of the Blues, the Clayton team Wednesday defeated the Wanette team by a decidedly one-sided score. The Wanette players took their defeat like rent sports and stated that they were simply out-classed by the semi-pro team they were up against. Everyone enjoyed the game, and it is hoped Wanette will be visited by the local team at the near future.

## Texline Here Sunday

Manager George has not yet made definite arrangements, but announces that it is probable Texline will be the victim of the Blues Sunday afternoon on the local field. The game should be interesting as Texline always sends a few bunch.